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A TWILIGHT PASTORAL.

Katie takes the milking-pail,
And to the meadow trips along;
The sunbeams slant along the vale,
And sweetly rings her milking-song:
"Heigho! Heigho!
A milking I go,
Come, Spot, and come, Bonnie,
Come, Brindle, come, Brownie;
The sun fast is sinking,
The bright stars are blinking;
Come to me, my darlings,
'Tis Katie who calls."
The meadows in the gold rain glisten,
The cricket stops his chirp to listen,
As o'er the grass the sweet voice rings,
Lo! high upon the topmost spray,
A robin gayly sings.

Colin hears the sweet voice call,
And sees the kine go lowing to her;
No call for him, and yet he goes,
Ah! twilight is the time to woo her:
"Heigho! heigho!
A milking I go,
Come, Spot, and come, Bonnie,
Come, Brindle, come, Brownie;
The sun fast is sinking,
The bright stars are blinking;
Come to me, my darlings,
'Tis Katie who calls."
So Colin leans upon the bars,
And wooeth Katie, till the stars
Shine through the haze the twilight brings,
And still, upon the topmost spray,
The robin gayly sings.

The years they roll, the summers go,
The grass springs green, the waters flow,
And Katie Gray, with Colin sitting,
He with his pipe, she with her knitting,
As twilight shadows trooping throng,
Hears another Katie's song:
"Heigho! heigho!
A milking I go,
Come, Spot, and come, Bonnie,
Come, Brindle, come, Brownie;
The sun fast is sinking,
The bright stars are blinking;
Come to me, my darlings,
'Tis Katie who calls."
And sees, within the meadow fair,
Another Colin wooing there;
While from the vale a sweet voice rings,
Lo! high upon the topmost spray,
A robin gayly sings.

—*J. W. Newlin, in the Century Magazine.*

THE BACHELOR'S CONFESSION.

BY HELEN FOREST GRAVES.

I live in a French flat. Of course there are objections to French flats. So there are to most things. I can't afford a hotel, and I detest a boarding-house. A bachelor of 30 odd, who has been at the mercy of boarding-house keepers all his days, can easily understand that.

So, when I engaged a suite of rooms—third floor in a French flat edifice—and arranged my household goods therein, with a fine lookout over a green dot of a park in front, and the glimmer of a palisade far in the rear above a forest of shipping, I considered myself well off.

What is my profession? I haven't any in particular. I'm an artist, and draw a little; daily, in front of my easel, I contribute to the press, and write when the divine afflatus seizes me. I read the law when I feel like it, and draw a little income from a snug little property left me by an uncle in India. Consequently I was able to decorate my new quarters very prettily with Bagdad rugs, old China dragons, black and gold Japanese screens, and pictures I had picked up at a bargain.

And when the fire was burning cheerfully in the grate, the first rainy May evening, the student lamp shining softly on the red, carved table, and the waiter from a neighboring restaurant had brought in my frugal dinner of a broiled bird, a mold of currant jelly, a slice of roast beef, and a raspberry dumpling, I considered myself pretty comfortable.

"Upon the whole," says I to myself, "I rather approve of French flats."

I rang the bell. The janitor—a respectful, decent sort of a fellow, in a round jacket and carpet slippers—answered the summons.

"Janitor," said I, "who occupies the floor above?"

"Nobody, sir," the man answered. "Last party moved out yesterday. New party moves in to-morrow."

"A large family?" said I, rather dubiously.

"Bless your heart, sir," said the man, "no family at all—single lady, sir!"

At this I congratulated myself more and more.

"I shall have prospect of a little peace now, I think," said I; and I ate my dinner in a fool's paradise of happiness.

The single lady moved in on the morrow. She must have moved in when I was down town selecting some new mill-boards and color-tubes for the summer sketches I intended to make, for when I returned, fondly expecting once more to enter into my kingdom of peace and serenity, everything was changed.

There was a banging and pounding over head, a thumping and hammering—a sound as if some middle-aged giantess in hob-nailed shoes was enjoying herself in a promenade. I sent for the janitor in a rage.

"Is the house coming down?" said I.

"It's the new tenant a movin' in, sir," said he, apologetically.

"Does her furniture consist entirely of Herring's safes and square pianos?" said I.

"There is two pianos, sir,"' said he. "She's musical."

"The deuce she is," roared I. "Two pianos! And does she play on 'em both?"

"Don't know, sir, I'm sure," said the man, with a distressed expression of countenance.

I endured the noise until midnight, and then I sent up the janitor's wife.

"The third floor's compliments to the fourth floor, and would like to know if this sort of thing is to go on all night?"

Down came the woman again.

"Fourth floor's compliments to the third floor, and wishes to know if he expects people to get settled without a noise?"

The next day the piano—only one, however—commenced. I was elaborating a skeleton for a scientific essay, and it disturbed me seriously. I endured it as long as I possibly could, and then I had recourse once more to the janitor's wife.

"Third floor's compliments to the fourth floor, and will feel obliged if she will favor me with a little peace and quietness long enough to do some necessary writing."

There was no reply, and the music ceased abruptly. But that evening, when I was beginning to solace myself with a little violin practice in the twilight, tap, tap, tap, came the janitor's wife at my door.

"Fourth floor's compliments to the third floor, and will feel obliged if he will favor her with a little peace and quietness long enough to write a letter."

How I hated that woman! So we lived for a month, exchanging constant missiles of warfare. I could cheerfully have given up that miserable French flat and gone back to boarding, only unluckily I had engaged it for the year. The fourth floor elocutionized, and had friends to select private readings, whose voices were deeper than Hamlet's and more sonorous than that of Charlotte Cushman. She was charitable and had classes of heavy-booted girls twice a week to sing hymns and learn to sew. A single lady, indeed! If she had been a quadruple lady she could not have made more noise, nor enjoyed the making of it more.

At the close of the month, however, an incident happened which turned the current of my whole life. I went on a picnic. I don't often go to anything of that kind; but this was an especially select affair gotten up by my friend Harold Webster. I went, and there I met Barbara Willis, and fell straightway in love with her. She wasn't exactly young, but neither am I, and to my taste a full-blown rose is sweeter than a bud, wherever you find it growing. She was dark-eyed, with full cherry lips, satin-brown hair, and a complexion as fresh as roses and ivory. We talked; our ideas coincided exactly. It seemed as if our souls were two looking-glasses, to mirror each other's.

"Miss Willis," cried I, "why is it that we have never met before? I feel as if we were old, old friends."

As I spoke I gently pressed her hand, and she smiled back unutterable things. I went to my friend Webster, who was making up quadrilles on the upper deck. We were accompanied by an excellent brass band.

"O, Harold!" exclaimed I, "I can never thank you enough for introducing me to that angel!"

"Do you mean Barbara Willis?" said he. "Well, I do think she is rather a fine girl."

We grew confidential as we sat together on the promenade deck and watched the moonlight ripple over the surface of the tides.

"A bachelor's life is but half a life, Miss Willis," said I.

"I can readily imagine that," she said softly.

"I live in a flat, confessed I.

"Do you," said Barbara (the sweet old English name was just like her). "Why, how strange! So do I!"

"Isn't it dreadful!" said I.

"Horrid!" said she, closing her lips as though she meant it.

"And there's a female dragon occupies the floor above me, and torments me out of my life."

"Well, if this isn't a remarkable coincidence," replied Barbara. "There's a detestable old crab of a bachelor under me, who takes all the pleasure out of my existence!"

"Should two lives be thus blighted?" said I.

"I—I don't think so," replied Barbara, looking intently at the bouquet of pansies she held in her hand.

It was past midnight when the boat landed. Harold Webster came up.

"I promised to see you home, Miss Willis," said he, rubbing his hands briskly.

"You need not trouble yourself, Webster," said I. "I shall be most happy."

I called a hack, helped the divine Barbara in, feeling more and more as if I were walking in cloudland.

"Where shall I drive to," said the man.

"No. 69 Ravenal street," said she, "fourth floor."

"What!" cried I—"not the Fernandine flats?"

"Exactly," said she.

"Why, that's where I live."

"Are you the third floor, she cried out, breathless.

"Are you the fourth?" I counter-questioned.

"But you're not a crab at all!"

"Nor are you a dragon. On the contrary—"

But what matters it what was said. Things were altered from the very beginning. I took my violin up stairs the next day, and helped my divine Barbara out with a sonata of Beethoven's. I suggested a new education theory for the hob-nailed classes. I listened enchanted to her recitation of Tennyson's Brook; and at the end of the quarter we are to be married—Barbara and I.

A PREVENTIVE OF DIPHTHERIA.—Dr. J. W. M'Lean, of Norwalk, Conn., sends the following to the New York *Tribune:* "In view of the increase in the number of fatal cases of scarletina and diphtheria, I wish you would publish the results of the use of a preventive against the contagion of these diseases. During the four years past I have used it, and in forty well-marked cases of diphtheria, where 140 persons were exposed to the contagion, not a single case has been reported to me. I use one dram of Monsel's salt, or the sub-sulphate of iron, in eight ounces of cold water, adding plenty of sugar, to overcome the taste of the iron. Of this solution I give from one to eight teaspoonsful each day, according to the proximity of the disease. As it has proved so efficacious in my hands I am anxious to have it generally tested."

MARK TWAIN'S EXPERIENCE AS A SCHOOL TRUSTEE.

Mark Twain once acted as school trustee out West. A colleague of his on the board tells the following regarding the school over which Mr. Clemens kept a watchful eye:

"Old Bill Nye, of Nevada—everybody knows who he was—appointed Sam Clemens and I school committeemen for our district. Well, we had a few Piute young ones and one or two white ones, enough to make a nucleus, as Sam said, so we hired a female teacher. She was considerable on morals, and I suspect Sam had intimated that this branch of their training should not be neglected. It was a pretty barren soil to sow ideas on, but the teacher was as cute as they make 'em, and she was bound to please and perhaps astonish the committeemen. So she goes to work and stands them up like a lot of sticks, and practices moral instruction upon them. She always ranged them in exactly the same order, and, like young colts, the youngsters soon learned to know which was their particular stall or standing post. For boy No. 1 she always had one question, 'Who made you?' Of course there was but one answer, and that was God. This was the alpha and omega of that youth's moral acquirements, so to speak. Well, boy No. 2 wasn't any brighter, and so he had his question and answer drilled into him. 'Who was the strongest man?' was the question, and Samson was the answer. Boy No. 3 was the son of a Piute squaw and a white man. He was dull, and his ideas were terribly difficult to cultivate. So I suppose for that reason the schoolmarm assigned him to say that Job was the most patient man. Well, Sam came down one day to see how things were progressing at school. The teacher stood her three particular pupils up in a row on the side of the log cabin, and, intimating that the committeeman could pull out slowly on the catechism and moral instruction, invited him to steam ahead. Boy No. 1 meantime had complained of faintness, a sudden feeling no doubt inspired by Sam's awful presence, and the teacher excused him with the recommendation that he go out in the adjoining ten-acre lot and lie down in the grass till he recovered. To boy No. 2 Sam now addressed himself with the leading question, 'Sonny who made you?' 'Samson, sir,' was the ready reply. The teacher blushed, and even Sam was taken aback. 'Well, my boy, you can tell me who made you?' said Sam to boy No. 3. 'Yes, sir; Job.' 'Why, there must be some little mistake here,' ejaculated Sam in an undertone. Then back to boy No. 2 he went with, 'Are you sure, my little man, that Samson made you?' 'Oh, yes, sir, because he was a very strong man.' Then to boy No. 3 he put the question: 'Are you quite certain Job made you?' 'Oh, yes, piped the Piute cherub, because Job was a very patient man.' 'Why, you young rascals, don't you know God made you?' 'No, sir,' replied the young Piute, greatly alarmed, 'the boy God made is out in the ten-acre lot kicking up his heels and havin' a bully time.' This ended Sam's efforts at catechism, and almost completely broke him as a committeeman."

PUTTING UP BOGUS SARDINES IN MAINE.

An Eastport correspondent of the Boston *Advertiser* writes as follows: If Connecticut is the land of wooden nutmegs, Maine must be the land of herring sardines. There are said to be twenty-two establishments on the Washington county coast, whereof two-thirds are in this town, in which herrings are put up as sardines in tin boxes made here in imitation of those used by the French, bearing French labels, preserved in cotton-seed oil, which is asserted on the cans to be choice olive oil. "No admittance" is notified at the entrance, but the rule is not enforced. Herring are brought in from the bay in large quantities, and are unloaded at the several wharves where the factories are erected. They are carried in baskets into a large room provided with rough tables, where a gang of boys from 10 to 15 years of age are waiting for them, each armed with a knife. Some of these children are dexterous. A single cut removes the head and from one to two inches of the shoulder of each fish, and at the same time draws the greater part of the "innards." The tail is more or less removed by another cut.

The extent of the business done is indicated by the fact that the rejected parts of the herring at a single establishment frequently amount to several hogsheads a day. These parts are boiled, pressed for their oil, and the refuse is sold for manufacture into dressing for soil. It is not yet possible to manufacture olive oil and anchovy paste out of the heads of herring. The bodies and tails of the herring are washed, laid upon wire racks, baked in a great oven, packed in tin boxes by girls, covered with cotton-seed oil, the boxes are soldered, heated again in the oil, and finally packed in wooden boxes for shipment. The process need not be described at great length. It does not appear to be a very cleanly process, but very likely it is very much so as that of putting up veritable sardines. The larger fish are put up in oval tin boxes and are called "sea trout." Still other herring are dubbed "eagle fish," and, finally, there is a process of putting up the fish in a spiced preparation which gives them the name of "mustard sardines."

Makers of eleomargarine, I believe, sometimes eat their product on warm brown bread, and profess to like it. So some of the sardine canners here eat their herring and declare that it is good. Perhaps it is. But it is not sardine. The labels upon the boxes are all lies. The word Paris upon them and the head of the late Emperor Napoleon suggests a falsehood. The assertion that the contents are sardines, put up in the best olive oil, is a direct and unqualified misstatement. If herring, put up in the oil of cotton-seed, make a palatable dish, very well. Let those eat it who wish to do so. To put it up in imitation of something else is a bare-faced fraud, which the law should forbid and punish.

THE COLOSSUS OF THE PARTHENON.

Mrs. Lucy M. Mitchell's second illustrated paper in the February *Century*, in the series on Ancient and Modern Sculpture, is devoted to "The Phidian Age," of which the most curious works were the Colossi of Olympus and the Parthenon, the latter being described as follows:

To Phidias was intrusted the highest mission which Attica could offer. This was to erect a statue of the virgin goddess of Athens, Athene Parthenos, to be set up in her new and glorious shrine, the Parthenon, erected on the wasted site of an older temple. For this, costly materials were placed at his disposal,—gold, ivory, silver, gems, and choice woods,—making its execution most complicated. A genius for grand composition was required for conceiving the whole, an architect's skill in building up the colossal wooden frame-work, he carver's subtle fancy and fingers to give form to the delicate ivory, and a metal worker's knowledge in dealing with the broad masses or elaborate finish of the gold work. The wooden frame-work was supported by inserted iron stays, and without was incrusted with thin sheets of ivory, made pliable by fire and then modeled and fitted together with consummate skill, its creamy color and texture well representing the natural skin. Appurtenances of drapery, weapons, and hair were of massive gold, or of silver gilded, and the eyes of lambent gems, all these materials making up the fabric of the chryselephantine colossi of the gods which were the master-pieces of the Phidian age, but were seldom executed in the following century.

The statue of Athene by Phidias was six times the height of a man (over thirty-eight feet), and must have filled the beholder with an overpowering sense of its presence as it stood in the holy place (*cella*), which was less than sixty-five feet high and but little over one hundred feet long. The air of the Acropolis being dry, water was applied to the statue to prevent shrinkage in the wooden frame-work and consequent displacement of the ivory incrustations. In 437 B. C., this golden colossus stood complete in its sanctuary, but, notwithstanding the precautions taken, as early as 397 B. C., it needed to be repaired. Several centuries later, Pausanias saw it still clothed in gold. It was seen in Athens in 375 A. D., and is reported—with little probability, however—to have been in Constantinople as late as the sixteenth century.

HOW TACKS ARE MADE.

Described in a few words, the process of making tacks is as follows: The iron, as received from the rolling mills, is in sheets from three inches to twelve inches wide and from three feet to nine feet in length, the thickness varying, according to the kind of work into which it is to be made, from one-eighth to one thirty-second of an inch. These sheets are all cut into about three feet pieces, and by immersion in acid cleaned of the hard outside flinty scale. They are then chopped into strips of a width corresponding to the length of the nail or tack required.

Supposing the tack to be cut is an eight-ounce carpet tack, the strip of iron, as chopped and ready for the machine, would be about eleven-sixteenths of an inch thick and three feet long. The piece is placed firmly in the feeding apparatus, and by this arrangement carried between the knives and machine.

At each revolution of the balance-wheel the knives cut off a small piece from the end of this plate. The piece cut off is pointed at one end, and square for forming the head at the other. It is then carried between two dies by the action of the knives, and these dies coming together form the body of the tack under the head. Enough of the iron projects beyond the face of the dies to form the head, and while held firmly by them, a lever strikes this projecting piece into a round head. This, as we have said before, is all done during one revolution of the balance-wheel, and the knives, as soon as the tack drops from the machine, are ready to cut off another piece. These machines are run at the rate of about 250 revolutions a minute. The shoe-nail machines for cutting headless shoe-nails are run at 500 revolutions per minute, and cut from three to five nails at each revolution. When we think of the number of machines being run in the United States, namely, about 1,700, and of the quantity of tacks and nails they can produce, it is as much of a mystery where they go as it is what becomes of the pins.

The tack-maker of fifty or sixty years ago, worked as follows: He took a small rod of iron and after heating it in a charcoal fire, hammered it down so as to make a point, then a piece was cut off, placed in a vise worked by foot power, and the head formed by a few blows of the hammer.—*Ex.*

The most noticeable thing about politics is ingratitude.—*Rochester Express.*

ÆSTHETIC ADVANCEMENT.

THE BROOKLYN TWAIN IN THE ART GALLERY.

"This is too ravishingly exquisitively too, too," said a pretty maiden in an olive-green velvet suit and brigand hat, standing in front of an inoffensive little landscape at the Art Association exhibition.

"Ya-as, quite so," said a youth of some seventeen summers at her side, dressed in a boy's jacket, tights, and toothpick shoes, and holding a soup-dish hat in his hand. "Ah, I can't say I met anything better in all my wanderings thwoughout Euwope, don't you know. Howevah, a fellah must object, you know, to the cherweschewro, you know! Ah, you must agwee with me there. Positively, Miss Winlander, you must."

"Oh, dear, Mr. Snobbington, you are too dreadfully, awfully critical," said the young lady, tapping the youth playfully with her gold eyeglasses. "See what a delicate, subtle something lurks in that suggestion of an apple cart at the left. And oh, that roof! So Turneresque. So full of unexpressed passion and hidden unmeaningness. Oh, Mr. Snobbington, it is positively, dreadfully incomprehensible. I'm quite sure I never saw anything so decidedly, suggestively Coroish; never."

"Ah-ya-as, verwy good for this side of the wa-tah," said her companion, sticking a monkey glass in his eye, and finally succeeding in keeping it there, after a series of facial contortions worthy of the lamented G. L. Fox. "As—ah—my friend Bawon Fwad used—ah—to say, you know, we musn't expect too much of—ah—a new countwe. Must say, though, it's a twemendously good attempt for an—ah—American awtist. Ah—but of course, you know, a fellah must go to the Fwench awtists for the lum tum thing, don't you know? The Bawon always said evweything else wasn't worth a wap, you know. But—ah—of course it's deuced wough, you know, not to give Amewica cwedit faw a good pictah now and then, don't you know? Ah—ya-as, the thing isn't half so bad, you know, faw a young countwy—ah!"

"Go on, Mr. Snobbington," said the maiden. "It's too delightfully, preciously lovely to hear you talk. You traveled gentlemen are so horribly, excellently well informed." And they glided on to the next picture.—*Brooklyn Eagle.*

HUMOROUS WRITING.

Almost every one privately indulges in the idea that he would become a celebrated humorous writer if he were only to try.

He takes up a magazine or newspaper and reads a humorous article, and says to himself: "If I only had time, I could do vastly better than that."

Now, friend, suppose you take time and try.

If you can produce a first-class sketch, your fortune is made. You need not plod along in counting-houses or vegetate behind the counter of a dry goods store, selling calico at a profit of two cents a yard. You can just go on with your first-class humor, and fix your own valuation upon it, never fearing but it will be paid.

But the fact of it is, you are a little mistaken. This humorous business is much easier in theory than in practice. Anybody can criticise and find fault with our funny writers, but the question is, can that same "anybody" do any better. If so let him do it.

You think it a very simple and easy thing to sit down with a pen in your fingers and a sheet of paper before you and indite such thoughts as shall convulse the world with laughter, and sayings which shall be repeated for years to come.

Well, we are all willing you should try, and when you achieve success we will laugh at your witty sayings and sun ourselves in the flash of your diamonds and not feel any envy.

We are apt to look upon humorous writings as a pastime, as requiring less thought and intellectual power than the heavier essays which crowd reviews; but in this we are mistaken. Your true humorist must have a wonderful imagination, a keen sense of the ridiculous, a thorough understanding of men, a generous power of language, delicacy, sensibility, tenderness, and a strong love of human kind.—*Mobile Register.*

THE MISTAKES OF LIFE.—Somebody has condensed the mistakes of life and arrived at the conclusion that there are fourteen of them. Most people would say (if they told the truth) that there was no limit to the mistakes of life, that they were like the drops in the ocean or the sands of the shore in number, but it is well to be accurate. Here, then, are fourteen great mistakes: "It is a great mistake to set up our own standard of right and wrong and judge people accordingly; to measure the enjoyment of others by our own; to expect uniformity of opinion in this world; to look for judgement and experience in youth; to endeavor to mould all dispositions alike; not to yield to immaterial trifles; to look for perfection in our own actions; to worry ourselves and others with what cannot be remedied; not to alleviate all that needs alleviation as far as lies in our power; not to make allowances for the infirmities of others; to consider everything impossible that we cannot perform; to believe only what our finite minds can grasp; to expect to be able to understand everything. The greatest of mistakes is to live only for time when any moment may launch us into eternity.—*Ex.*

A NEW CURE FOR STUDENT LOVE.—Many anxious parents who have sons at college are of the opinion that the worst thing that can happen to a student in a college town is to fall in love. They are not much out of the way, either. As only about one young woman in twenty will make a good wife, and as most students fall in love with whatever girls they are unfortunate enough to meet, the probability of a family obtaining a desirable daughter-in-law through the unassisted efforts of a son at college is painfully small—just about as large, in fact, as that of persuading the ill-assorted couple to break the match. The Chinese, however, have devised a plan that effectually prevents the marrage of students to the damsels to whom they have made love when they should have been studying. One of the Chinese students at New Haven had a tender passion for a Connecticut maiden. His government ended the affair by calling the young man home and cutting off his head. If China will do as much for American boys within her own dominions she has only to announce the fact and American colleges, students and all, will be sent over there by the shipload.—*N. Y. Herald.*

HOW ENGLISH WIVES KEEP HOUSE.—English wives, high and low, keep household accounts in a way that would surprise many an American woman. Every penny spent in the house goes down in the housekeeper's book, with which every mistress of a household is provided. Every bill is filed away carefully when receipted. In fact, a perfect system of order prevails, which enables every man to know exactly what it costs him to keep up his home. In that country every expenditure is made to bear its proper relation to the income received. House rent must be only such a percentage, table outlay so much, servants' wages so much, children's schooling so much, alms-giving so much, and if at the end of the year it is found that the income has been exceeded, these people immediately proceed to reduce items in every department. The general style of their living remains about the same, but it is necessarily not quite so genuine.—*San Francisco Call.*

ALL the female convicts in the Indiana penitentiary were turned over to Sarah Smith, a philanthropic Quakeress, seven years ago, for the purpose of testing kindness as a means of reformation. Success is claimed for the experiment. Two hundred women and girls are now under Mrs. Smith's care. They are required to perform certain work, from which they earn their own support, and they are kept within an enclosure, but there are no high stone walls, dark cells, barred windows, nor armed guards. Eight women assistants are all that she requires to control these prisoners, and severe punishments and deprivations are unknown. It has been proved, says an official report, that 80 per cent. of these convicts are so far reformed that on release they begin to lead reputable lives.

A SAD CASE.—A terrible discovery of a family named Williams, victims of small-pox, was made on Friday last in Jersey City. The father had died, leaving a widow and five children in utter poverty. Friday morning a deputy Health Inspector visited the cellar in which they lodged, and found the mother covered with pustules, lying on a heap of rags. On one side of her was the dead body of one of her girls, on the other the dead body of one of her boys. In the corner of the room another little fellow appeared to be dying, while the two remaining children huddled around the stove. The woman and her living children were sent to the hospital.

MADAME PATTERSON-BONAPARTE kept every bonnet she ever wore, and had a remarkable collection. She was so in the habit of making capricious wills that her heirs secretly agreed to share evenly whatever she left, without regard to her testament. She objected to her grandsons' marriages because they were love matches, which she regarded as a detestable folly. She used to show a marvellous brooch sent to her as a peace-offering by the princess married by her own renegade husband. She once electrified a dinner table by speaking of the Bonapartes and saying, "Jerome, you know, was the most indifferent of them all."

We recently came across a San Antonio paper, in which it was stated, in as many words, that "the remains of a man, killed forty years ago, were discovered plowing in Central Garden." In no other State, and in no other city in the State, is the air so salubrious that the remains of a man, killed forty years before, can be seen plowing. The attention of invalids is called to this astonishing evidence of the salubrious quality of the San Antonio atmosphere.—*Texas Siftings.*

PUNCTUATION is sometimes necessary to the proper rendering of a sentence. To illustrate, we saw in a country paper the other day, an advertisement to the effect that "if the gentleman who keeps a shoe store with a red head will return the umbrella of a young lady with whalebone ribs and an ivory handle, he will hear of something to his advantage."—*Herald Chat by the Way.*

BOSS SHEPPARD, of Washington, was bitten by a tarantula, and although the Boss suffered some temporary annoyance, the tarantula perished most miserably. Innoculated with ring worm, we expect.—*Baltimore Every Saturday.*

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FRIDAY AFTERNOON, JAN. 27, 1882.

DELAWARE R. R.—TRAINS LEAVE MIDDLETOWN.

Going North,	7:55 A.M.	11:07 A.M.	5:06 P.M.
Going South,	10.39 A.M.	2:10 P.M.	7:30 P.M.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Town Notes.

— Several of our merchants are busy this week taking account of stock.

— Preaching at Armstrong's chapel next Sunday afternoon at half past two o'clock.

— Miss S. L. Downs spent Sunday in Middletown, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Biggs.

— The extra meetings at the M. E. Church continue with much interest and a large attendance.

— The regular monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held in Forest church next Wednesday, Feb. 1.

— The Middletown orchestra furnished the music for a very successful social hop at Chestertown on Tuesday evening.

— The conference committee have now secured homes for nearly all the ministers expected at the coming M. E. Conference.

— Jesse Lake, one of our oldest citizens, has been confined to his home for several weeks by illness. We are glad to state that he is reported as improving.

— Henry Clayton, Esq., of Mt. Pleasant, will remove to Middletown on March 25th, and will reside for the present on Cass street. He will dispose of his farm stock at public sale on February 8th.

— Prof. Ford's class in elocution will meet promptly at 6.30 o'clock next Monday evening. Members should come in time, so that the lesson will not extend into the hours of the Lyceum meeting.

— Five valuable farms, part of the estate of the late William Wilson, will be offered at Trustee's sale, at the National Hotel, Middletown, on Monday, February 13th. This real estate is fully described in our advertising columns.

— The mocking bird belonging to Mrs. Mary Stites, noticed in these columns some months ago as being able to whistle several bars of "Pinafore," died this week. It was an unusually fine singer and was prized highly by its owner.

— The parlor entertainment by the Mission Band of Forest Church, at the residence of Mr. G. W. W. Naudain, this evening, promises to be a pleasant and successful affair. Readings, recitations, charades and tableaux will be given.

— No ice was secured here during the cold snap of the present week, it not being thick enough on the pond to cut. Those harvesting their supply from the canal and the Bohemia river were more successful. A good supply was secured at St. Georges, we learn.

— Those desiring to purchase fine stock will have no difficulty in securing it this season, as much will be offered at public sale by several of our largest farmers who are about to discontinue agricultural pursuits. A glance at our advertising columns will tell the reader where this stock may be found.

— The cold wave struck us last Sunday evening, coming with a big blow. Monday was decidedly cold but Tuesday was the most winterish day of the winter. Mr. E. Tatman furnishes us with the following record of the mercury for the week, taken at 7 A. M: Sunday, 34; Monday, 17; Tuesday, 3½; Wednesday, 15; Thursday, 34; Friday, 46.

— The supper, fair and festival in aid of St. Francis Church, which has been in progress at Warwick since Monday evening, has been largely attended and successful. The supper served each evening by the ladies is highly praised by those who have attended. Many beautiful and useful articles will be drawn for to-morrow, when the fair will close. We shall announce the names of the lucky ones in our next issue.

— Miss Lulie Clay Bigbee, who gave readings here last fall, appeared at Lehmann's Hall, Baltimore, Friday evening of last week and the papers of that city say had a "large and critical audience." The *Gazette*, of that city, in noticing the reader's rendition of Poe's Raven, says: "It is safe to say that this difficult poem was never more effectively read in this city, and this alone is sufficient to stamp Miss Bigbee as an artist of the highest order." Those who heard Miss B. at Middletown will be pleased to hear of her great success elsewhere.

— The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Peninsular Agricultural Association will be held in Middletown at one o'clock to-morrow. A board of managers will be elected to serve the ensuing year. The report to be presented by the secretary will show the receipts at the last annual fair to have been as follows: Ticket sales, $2,784.83; track entrance fees, $1,297.50; sales of privileges, $366.55; rent of fair ground, $100.00; total, $4.548.88. The disbursements, including those for repairs and new implements, will amount to $5,168.75.

— Miss Addie Houston, of Wilmington, has formed a class of Middletown ladies in decorative painting. The class now numbers ten, but it will doubtless grow when Miss Houston's beautiful work comes to be more generally seen. Her studio is at the residence of James Culbertson, and her hours of instruction from 10.56 A. M., to 5. P. M. She has on exhibition many fine plaques and panel pictures which she will be pleased to show those who call on her. The press of Wilmington speaks in the highest terms of the lady's success as a teacher of decorative art.

— If any of our readers have solved the "Bible Puzzle" that appeared on the fourth page of the TRANSCRIPT last week they will do us a favor by sending us the answer for publication. Several persons have asked us to publish the answer, but we haven't got it. We published the puzzle by request of a number of our friends who had for some time been trying to work it out. As it was copied from another publication we of course cannot guarantee that it is clear of typographical errors. We shall be glad to have a correct answer. We are not working out any puzzles ourself this winter.

— A number of our exchanges have published the following cure for small-pox: "Sulphate of Zinc, one grain; Fox Glove (digitalis), one grain; water, half a teaspoonful. When thoroughly mixed add four ounces of water. Dose for an adult, a spoonful every hour. For a child, smaller doses, according to age." The remedy is widely indorsed by the press. Another paper asserts that the worst case of small-pox can be cured in three days, simply by the use of cream of tartar dissolved in one pint of hot water and drank at intervals, when cold. We know nothing about these remedies except what we have read, but presume that they are harmless, at least.

County.

— J. Watson Evans, a prominent citizen of Newark, died yesterday, aged 50 years.

— The Chesapeake and Delaware canal will be partly closed for repairs on January 28.

— Prof. Stansbury J. Willey has resigned the position of principal of the Wilmington High School.

— The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has about decided to have ten locomotives built at the shops of the P. W. & B., in Wilmington.

— Owing to failing health, G. W. Sparks has tendered his resignation as cashier of the National Bank of Wilmington and Brandywine.

— Joseph Roberts has been appointed by Register Biggs to succeed the late Samuel Townsend as administrator on the estate of John Townsend, deceased.

— Mrs. Mary Black, relict of the late Samuel H. Black, and for many years a resident of Glasgow, Delaware, died at her home in Wilmington on last Saturday night.

— The Rev. W. W. Taylor, of Philadelphia, formerly of Delaware City, has agreed to fill the pulpit of the Presbyterian church at Newark until the return of the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Porter, five months hence.

— Purnal J. Lynch was the lucky guesser at V. O. Hill's "hog killing" on Wednesday. Purnal guessed within two pounds of the heaviest porker, which weighed 765. The "guessing box" contained about $15.

— The Jefferson Democratic Club, of Wilmington, contemplates giving a reception at Easter, in the Institute Hall. The guests will include men of prominence from other places, particularly from the lower part of the State.

— In the census bulletin just issued from Washington, Wilmington is on the list as the forty-second city of the one hundred principal cities mentioned. Its population is 42,478, an increase of 11,637 over the year 1870. The male population is 20,751; female, 21,727; or 976 more females than males.

State.

— Prof. Groves will hold an examination of teachers at Smyrna to-morrow.

— It is stated that only 319 European emigrants settled in Delaware last year.

— A debating society has been organized at Down's Chapel, and they have begun business by discussing the gentle savage's right to the soil.

— John J. Rosa, of Kent, Wm. Dean, of New Castle, and Col. A. S. Small, of Sussex, have been appointed by Governor Hall to attend the meeting of the National Agricultural Association, to be held in New York City, February 1, 2 and 3.

— R. R. Morrison, of New Castle, was awarded on Saturday last the contract for building the bridge over Old Duck creek, near Bombay Hook. The work is being done by the Duck Creek Improvement Company. The bridge or roadway will be half a mile above the old "stopping" and four miles below the Woodland Beach Hotel. The creek is 190 feet wide at this point and 17 feet deep at low water.—*Smyrna Times.*

— John Truitt and John Monroe, *alias* John Johnson, were committed to New Castle jail on Tuesday on a charge of stealing meat from Andrew Spear, near Smyrna. The meat was found by Constable Weldin hid under the leaves in Blackbird hundred. The farmers of lower New Castle and upper Kent will be glad to know that at least two of those who have been committing petty depredations upon their winter stores have been caught.

— There have been several cases of small-pox among the colored people residing in the suburbs of Smyrna, and consequently considerable uneasiness among the people of the town. The local board of health promptly took the matter in hand, isolated the infected families, and provided means for general vaccination. No new cases have recently developed and owing to these prompt measures of the board of health there is now little danger that the pest will further spread. Here is an illustration of the value of an efficient board of health. Will not our Town Commissioners give this matter the serious attention it deserves and provide Middletown with a board of health?

Maryland Matters.

— "Gath" says the Eastern Shore women are the best and most graceful dancers in the world.

— An alert flagman prevented a collision between two express trains at Elkton on Saturday last.

— The ladies of the Sassafras M. P. Church will hold a fair and festival on the evenings of February 1st, 2d and 3d. An inviting supper will be served each evening.

— Steps are being taken for the erection of a Protestant Episcopal Chapel at Chesapeake City. Subscription books are out and considerable money has already been secured.

— During the past year there were 163 men in Cecil county who obtained license and joined the benedicts. No births were registered and it seems by the statistics that nobody died.—*Democrat.*

— The town boys snow-balled the Salisbury bailiff. He arrested them and they were fined. But before arresting them he cursed them; and now each one of that crowd of boys is retaliating by having the bailiff arrested one each a day for swearing. There are boys enough to keep it up until the first of March.

— Mrs. Lewis T. Roberts, of Cecil county, has in her possession a button from the coat of Napoleon Bonaparte. It is a large pearl button with a diamond in the centre. Mrs. R. received it from her father, the late Rev. William Pryce, for many years rector of Old Swedes' Church, Wilmington. She thinks he obtained it from his old and esteemed friend, Major Jacquette, a French officer who settled near Wilmington some time after the battle of Waterloo.

— The annual meeting of the Cecil County Agricultural Society was held at Elkton on Tuesday, and the old board of directors, with one exception, was re-elected. The treasurer's report showed the total receipts at the last exhibition to have been $10,743.15. Among the items were privileges, $333.50; receipts at gate, $6,867.10; receipts at grand stand, $1,244.-61; entries in trials of speed, $1,566.76. The total amount of disbursements was $10,651.66. Among the numerous items of disbursements were $2,232.69 paid on note given by society; labor for permanent improvement, $782.82; labor at fair, $475.50; advertising and printing, $466.20; music, $250; premiums, $1,549.70; premiums and expenses of bicycle race and tournament, $250; premiums in trials of speed, $3,130.

Large Hogs.

Mr. S. F. Shallcross killed a fine pen of hogs on Saturday last—eight in number. The aggregate weight of the porkers was 3,572, an average of 446½. Mr. Shallcross thinks this is pretty hard to beat, and we think so, too. The largest of the eight weighed 515, and the smallest, 421. Mr. S. takes great pride in having a fine pen of hogs every year.

The Lyceum.

Nearly fifty members and several visitors were present at the regular meeting of the Lyceum on Monday evening, and heartily enjoyed the excellent bill of exercises there presented. The meeting was one of the most pleasant and interesting held by the society this season. The literary exercises were opened by Mr. Fletcher Deakyne in an exceedingly humorous reading which elicted much laughter and applause. Miss Nathalie Kennedy read a beautiful poem, which was received with much gratification by the audience. Mr. W. E. Wright read, in a praiseworthy manner, a very difficult and highly dramatic prose selection, being a graphic description of a contest between a gladiator and a tiger in an ancient arena. The effort, requiring much elocutionary skill in its proper delivery, received the highest commendation from the audience. Miss Belle Pennington, always good in the humorous, gave the audience a five-minutes' course of laughter in a burlesque oration. Mr. W. P. Biggs read "The Ruins of Time," by the Milford Bard. This is considered by many as the Bard's best literary effort, and Mr. Biggs' reading of it was worthy the warm applause it received. The concluding literary selection was "The Great Beef Contract," by Mark Twain, read by W. S. Way. In the way of music, the society was favored with pleasing instrumental selections by Miss Belle Pennington and Miss Ida Grubb, all of which were warmly applauded. The program for next Monday evening promises to be entertaining and instructive. The discussion on the Mormon question, at the public meeting, Monday week, will be timely, as that question is now exciting much interest all over the country. The questions given out each evening, to be answered at the next meeting, is an excellent feature of the society's exercises. The answers returned on Monday evening last were all good. Some of them were prepared in the form of a careful essay and conveyed briefly much instruction.

Pigeon Shooting.

There was a large gathering of sportsmen and others at the National Hotel Wednesday afternoon to witness a pigeon shooting match for a purse of $100, between Joseph Parsons, of Chestertown, and A. P. Shockley, of Elkton. Each contestant had fifteen birds. Shockley was the winner, killing nine birds in fourteen shots, while Parsons killed but seven. The following is the score:

Shockley,	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	—9
Parsons,	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	—7

Another match, between Parsons and Holmes, resulted as follows:

Holmes,	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	—7
Parsons,	1	0	0	1	1	0	0							—3

A sweepstake match for a purse of $35—$20 to first and $15 to second—nine birds—was then made up with seven contestants. Augustus Holmes won first money and Harry Price second. The following is the summary:

Mowbray,	0	1	1	0	0				—2
Shockley,	0	0	1	1	1	0	1		—3
Parsons,	1	0	0	1	1	1			—4
Cornell,	0	1	1	0	0				—2
Godwin,	0	0	1	1	0				—2
Holmes,	1	1	1	1	1				—5
Price,	0	1	0	1	1	1	1		—5

In the evening Mr. Maxwell, of the National, served an inviting supper, the bill of fare embracing such seasonable delicacies as diamond-back terrapin, oysters in various styles, chicken salad and boned turkey. The repast was enjoyed by about fifty persons, among whom were a number from Cecil and Kent counties, Md.

The Beet Sugar Industry.

The Delaware Beet Sugar Company, who erected works at Riverside, above Wilmington, and put in expensive machinery for the manufacture of Sugar from beets, have, it is stated, concluded to abandon the enterprise. The company have given the business a thorough trial, and now believe that it will not pay in this State. The farmers, too, who have for several seasons contracted with the company to raise beets for them, have concluded that there is more money in grain growing than in beet culture. Mr. E. C. Fenimore, near Odessa, has perhaps been the most extensive individual beet grower in the State. He has tested the business thoroughly and does not think it will pay in this section. The withdrawal of State aid and the unfavorable season of 1881 doubtless had much to do with the discouragement of the company. The death of this beet sugar industry, which seemed to promise so much for Delaware farmers, is a matter of regret. In Maine it appears to have succeeded. The works at Riverside were in charge of H. Jos. Krebs, a practical man who has had large experience in the business in Germany. He is of the opinion that the climate of Delaware is not suited to successful beet culture. There seems to be a lack of saccharine matter in the beets. The company will now turn their attention to the manufacture of sugar from molasses, and they believe that the new enterprise will be a success, for the reason that molasses can be worked here with more profit than in Cuba. The lowest imported duty on a gallon of molasses is 6¼ cents, and on sugar it is 2 8-10 cents. There are between five and six pounds of sugar to a gallon of molasses, so that the duty comes lower on molasses than it does on sugar.

A Surprise.

One of the pleasant social events of the week was a genuine surprise to Mr. A. G. Cox, at the residence of Mrs. Grubb, on Thursday evening, the occasion being his fiftieth birthday. The affair was gotten up by the officers and teachers of the M. E. Sabbath School, of which Mr. Cox has long been the efficient superintendent. At the close of services he was invited to the M. E. Parsonage and entertained until everything was in readiness, and when he and his good lady walked into their home they found about thirty persons in full possession and having a good time. General congratulations were extended the guest of the evening, after which a nice collation was partaken of by all present. An hour of social conversation and music followed, after which the assemblage dispersed.

Prof. Ford's Entertainment.

The elocutionary entertainment by Prof. S. T. Ford and pupils, at the Opera House, Wilmington, Thursday evening, was a credit to those who took part. Notwithstanding the bad weather a large audience was present and the various efforts were favorably received. Miss May Hersey, Miss Maggie Woodnut, Miss Annie Kates, Miss Laura A. Bigger, Miss S. L. Downs and Messrs. F. O. Cooper, Harry Palmer and Dr. J. P. Lukens took part. All won much applause. Prof. Ford was encored after each effort.

Delaware City Church Case.

Deputy Sheriff George Clark is now engaged in summoning witnesses in the case of the Delaware City Episcopal Church, which will come up at a special term of court fixed for the 31st inst. The case, it will be remembered, has been pending for some time and was to have been argued at the last term of court, but owing to the large number of criminal cases and the illness of Chief Justice Comegys it was made the order for a special term. About fifty witnesses will be examined.—*Every Evening.*

Æsthetics.

There is a great deal in the papers now about æsthetics and æstheticism. The TRANSCRIPT hasn't said much about the subject up to date because it has had more important matters on hand and hasn't felt that it could grasp the subject just where it wanted to and hold it up so its readers could get a good view of it, and understand it. As Oscar Wilde will probably not visit the Peninsula to enlighten us on æstheticism—at a dollar an enlighten—we find that we must book up a little on the subject or get left behind. Noah Webster defines Æsthetics, briefly, as the "science of the beautiful." Very good. Everybody should love the beautiful, and when there is any spare time left from the sober duties of life, such as cutting off the day's fire-wood and chasing a neighbor's cow out of the front yard, why should we not devote it to a study of the beautiful? Now, for instance, a sunset is a grand thing. When the orb of day drops behind a vail of fleecy vapor and bathes the Western horizon in gold and crimson, what is more enrapturing than that, particularly to a man who has worked hard all the afternoon on the farm and feels a premonition that he is going to have fried chicken and Maryland biscuits for supper? But he don't stop to study that sunset. The gold and crimson is lost on him. He wouldn't pay a cent a yard for it. But æstheticism teaches him that he should forget all about the fried chicken and Maryland biscuit and the longing beneath the second button from the bottom of his vest, and sit down on a stump and study that sunset for all it is worth till the curtain falls on the last scene. There are some good points about the æsthetic, if we understand him. For instance, he would not maintain an ash barrel by his front door, throw old hoop-skirts in his back yard or paint directions to "Use Smith's Vermifuge," on his neighbor's front fence. This much and some other things the æsthete don't do we can admire him for, but when he parts his hair in the middle and goes prancing around in knee breeches, with a lily in his hand and a far-off look in his eye, like that of a man who has left all his small change at home and don't want to see the church collection basket, we think he ought to be arrested on suspicion of being a lunatic. And as for the female æsthetics, let them cultivate a taste for the beautiful. They have a right to do as they please, and they'll do as they please whether they have the right or not. Men will love them better for studying to make their homes beautiful, for putting away the week's washing in proper places, and for seeing that the color of the crust of the bread is not too dreadfully intense. We are not right sure that we understand this æsthetic business thoroughly, but if we do, we think it is a pretty good thing if it is not carried to excess.

Mr. Peacock's Entertainment.

The dinner served by Mr. and Mrs. Peacock, at the Middletown Hotel, on Friday evening of last week, was an enjoyable social event that all who were present will remember with pleasure for a long time. The repast was an inviting one, the bill of fare embracing a long list of delicacies such as oysters on the half shell, boiled rockfish, turkey with oysters, fried oysters, stewed oysters, terrapin, chicken salad, vegetables, cakes, custards, pies, fruits, nuts and wines. Nearly fifty guests, including representatives of many of the best-known families of St. Georges hundred, sat down to this repast and had a pleasant social feast. Amid cheerful converse and flashes of wit the good things were attended to in order. The host moved about among his guests seeing that none of them, through bashfulness, should fail to do justice to his bountifully spread board. At the conclusion of the repast the guests were invited to the parlor, where they duly organized themselves into a deliberative body by calling Col. Joshua Clayton, of Thomas, to the chair, and selecting Hon. E. R. Cochran as secretary. After complimentary remarks in behalf of the host and his good lady by Mr. Joseph Roberts and others, the chair, on motion, appointed a committee, consisting of Messrs. J. L. Gibson, Joseph Roberts, H. A. Nowland, Jos. G. Brown, W. R. Cochran, W. N. Wilson, and E. R. Cochran, to prepare resolutions expressing thanks to the host and hostess of the Middletown Hotel for their most excellent entertainment. The committee withdrew and soon returned with the following:

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of the whole assemblage is hereby heartily tendered to the honorable host and hostess of Middletown Hotel, for the splendid entertainment they have given to their friends; and we congratulate this community on having so trustworthy a host and hostess among them.

Personal.

— Presiding Elder Martindale was in town for a short time on Monday.

— Mr. H. H. Brady, of Chesapeake, City, is spending the winter in Florida.

— Miss Cotton, of Chester, Pa., is visiting at the residence of Mr. T. E. Hurn, the guest of Miss Lydia Hurn.

— Miss Lizzie Slaughter, of Dover, is spending a season in Middletown, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. S. Murray.

— Miss Ida V. Howell, one of Prof. Wright's graduates and a worthy and talented young lady, has accepted a position as teacher of the public school at Frankford, this State, and will go to her post to-morrow. This will make the third teacher our Academy has recently furnished to Sussex.

Sales to Take Place.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 1.—Public sale of farm stock and implements, by George H. Swain, near Odessa.

THURSDAY, FEB. 2.—Public sale farm stock and implements by R. T. Lockwood, near Middletown.

FRIDAY, FEB. 3.—Stock and farming implements of W. A. Scott, near Union Church.

TUESDAY, FEB. 7.—Public sale of personal property by Alfred Herrick, near Odessa.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 8.—Public sale of farm stock and implements by Henry Clayton, near Mount Pleasant.

MONDAY, FEB. 13.—Public sale of farm stock and implements by Robert A. Cochran, at his farm on the Levels.

TUESDAY, FEB. 14.—Public sale farm stock, and implements, B. M. Crawford, Middle Neck.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 15.—Public sale farm stock and implements, by Charles Webb, near Middletown.

THURSDAY, FEB. 16.—Public sale of farm stock and utensils, by Charles S. Ellison, near Mount Pleasant.

FRIDAY, FEB. 17.—Public sale of farm stock and implements by Samuel McVay, near Townsend.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 22.—Public sale, farm stock, implements, and household goods, by Wilmer J. Ellison, Middle Neck, Cecil county, Md.

FRIDAY, FEB. 24.—Administratrix's sale of personal property, by Mrs. H. A. Houston, near Mt. Pleasant.

FRIDAY, FEB. 24.—Public sale farm stock, by Geo. H. Houston, near Mt. Pleasant.

— During the month of December, 1881, the Clerk of the Peace of New Castle Co. issued forty-four marriage licenses, an unusually large number.

Guiteau's Autograph.

A Middletown autograph seeker recently wrote to the assassin Guiteau, requesting a copy of his signature, and received the following reply, not from the assassin, however:

DEAR SIR—Owing to the large number of applications for autographs of Chas. Guiteau, it has become impracticable to answer them without considerable trouble and expense. Therefore, no answers will be sent unless *paid* for. Twenty-five cents for a single autograph, or five for one dollar. MRS. F. M. SCOVILLE,
Tremont House.

Correspondence of the Transcript.

Hymeneal.

Despite the severe snow-storm, a large audience assembled in Bethel Church this afternoon to witness the marriage of our genial friend, Capt. Wm. C. Eliason, of the steamer "Nelly White," to Miss Mollie E. Naudain, neice of Henry Clayton, Esq. Rev. Mr. Layfield, assisted by Rev. Mr. Alexander, of Middletown, performed the ceremony. The church was very tastefully trimmed with evergreens. In front of the pulpit hung a beautiful anchor of flowers, and immediately over where the bride and groom stood was suspended from an arch of evergreens a horse shoe of roses. Mr. R. Price, of Middletown, played the wedding march with his accustomed skill. In their entrance to the church the bride and groom were immediately preceded by Miss Louise Naudain, Miss Mary Clayton, Mr. J. Griffith and Mr. F. Price, intimate friends of the bride, and by the ushers, Messrs. J. Naudain, J. Clayton, and A. E. Sanborn, of Delaware, and Mr. W. Eaton, of Baltimore. The bride looked very lovely in her garnet-satin dress and wreath of orange blossoms, and the groom, of course, very happy.

Immediately after the ceremony, a little son of Mrs. Laws came up the aisle and with a very graceful bow presented the bride a handsome bouquet for which he, very thoughtfully, claimed the first kiss.

The assembly then adjourned *en masse* to the basement of the church where most hearty congratulations were indulged in, after which the bridal party drove to the home of the bride's uncle, Mr. Henry Clayton, where a most magnificent collation was spread. The bridal presents were very numerous and valuable, including a handsome silver tea-service, beautiful paintings, ornamental clocks, china, glassware and silverware.

The happy pair left Mr. Clayton's about 8 P. M., for Elkton, where they took the 9.10 train for Philadelphia. Capt. Eliason is widely known to the readers of the TRANSCRIPT as the promoter of many a pleasant excursion during the summer season, and as the friend and champion of Tolchester and the "Nelly White." Our best wishes go with them.

MANY FRIENDS.

Mt. Pleasant, Jan. 25, 1882.

Fraternal Greetings.

The Middletown TRANSCRIPT walks into its fifteenth year with a clean face that seems to smile all over. It is always newsy and funny.—*North East Record.*

The Middletown TRANSCRIPT reached the end of its fourteenth year with its last issue. The publisher says he has every reason to be satisfied. Happy man! But it's a Way he has.—*Syracuse (N. Y.) Sunday Times.*

The Middletown TRANSCRIPT has just entered upon its fifteenth year. It is a handsome paper, well edited by Bro. Way, and gives its readers a wide variety of original and selected reading.—*Burlington (N. J.) Enterprise.*

The Middletown TRANSCRIPT last week entered upon its fifteenth year. Under the management of its present proprietor, W. Scott Way, it has risen to the front rank of Journalism. We heartily wish it success.—*Delaware Ledger.*

The Middletown TRANSCRIPT has just entered its fifteenth year. Editor Way can congratulate himself at his prosperity and ability to run a good paper. The TRANSCRIPT is a welcome visitor, and its columns give evidence that a man of brains is at the head.—*Whitehall (N. Y.) Times.*

Brother Way, of the Middletown TRANSCRIPT, gets off some spicy things in his paper. The TRANSCRIPT is one of our liveliest and most welcome exchanges, and comes to us every week showing signs of brilliancy and improvement. Even its advertising department evidences extra good taste and care.—*Breakwater Light.*

The Middletown TRANSCRIPT, which was founded by Mr. Vanderford, formerly proprietor of the *Democrat*, has just entered on its fifteenth year. W. Scott Way, its present editor, is an energetic business man, a genial companion, and a rare combination of the witty and the practical in the sanctum. The TRANSCRIPT began under favorable auspices and has proven an ever-increasing success since. The editor has our congratulations.—*Cecil Democrat.*

The Middletown TRANSCRIPT departs from its usual over-modest policy this week to print the pleasant greetings that many contemporaries have sent it upon its 15th birthday. We know of no Peninsula editor who is more entirely in accord with his "constituency" than Mr. Way of the TRANSCRIPT. His paper is deservedly popular, both at home and abroad, and all his readers pause to smile whenever he pokes their ribs with his sly nonsense or droll wisdom.—*Wilmington Every Evening.*

MARRIED.

KNOTT—VOSHELL.—January 23d, at the residence of the bride's father, Obediah Voshell, by Rev. J. A. Brindle, William G. Knotts and Miss Clara Voshell, both from near Kenton.

QUILLEN—DAVIS.—At the M. E. Parsonage, in Blackbird, January 22d, by Rev. R. K. Stehenson, William H. Quillen and Miss Sallie E. Davis, both of New Castle county, Del.

DIED.

BUCKWORTH.—On Bohemia Manor, Sunday, 22d inst, Charles Buckworth, in the 68th year of his age.

Coal Oil or Petroleum may be very nice for illuminating or lubricating purposes, but surely it is not the proper thing to cure a cough with. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is looked upon as the standard Cough remedy.

Business Gossip.

HUNDREDS OF MEN, Women and Children Rescued in every community from beds of sickness and almost death and made strong by Parker's Ginger Tonic are the best evidences in the world of its sterling worth.—*Post.*

A PURE, wholesome distillation of witch hazel, American pine, Canada fir, marigold, clover blossoms, etc., fragrant with the healing essence of balsam and of pine. Such is Sanford's Radical Cure for Catarrh. Complete treatment for $1.

New Advertisements.

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AT

D. L. DUNNING'S.

We have just added to our already large line of Wall Paper over

2,000 Pieces of the Latest Patterns

FOR 1882.

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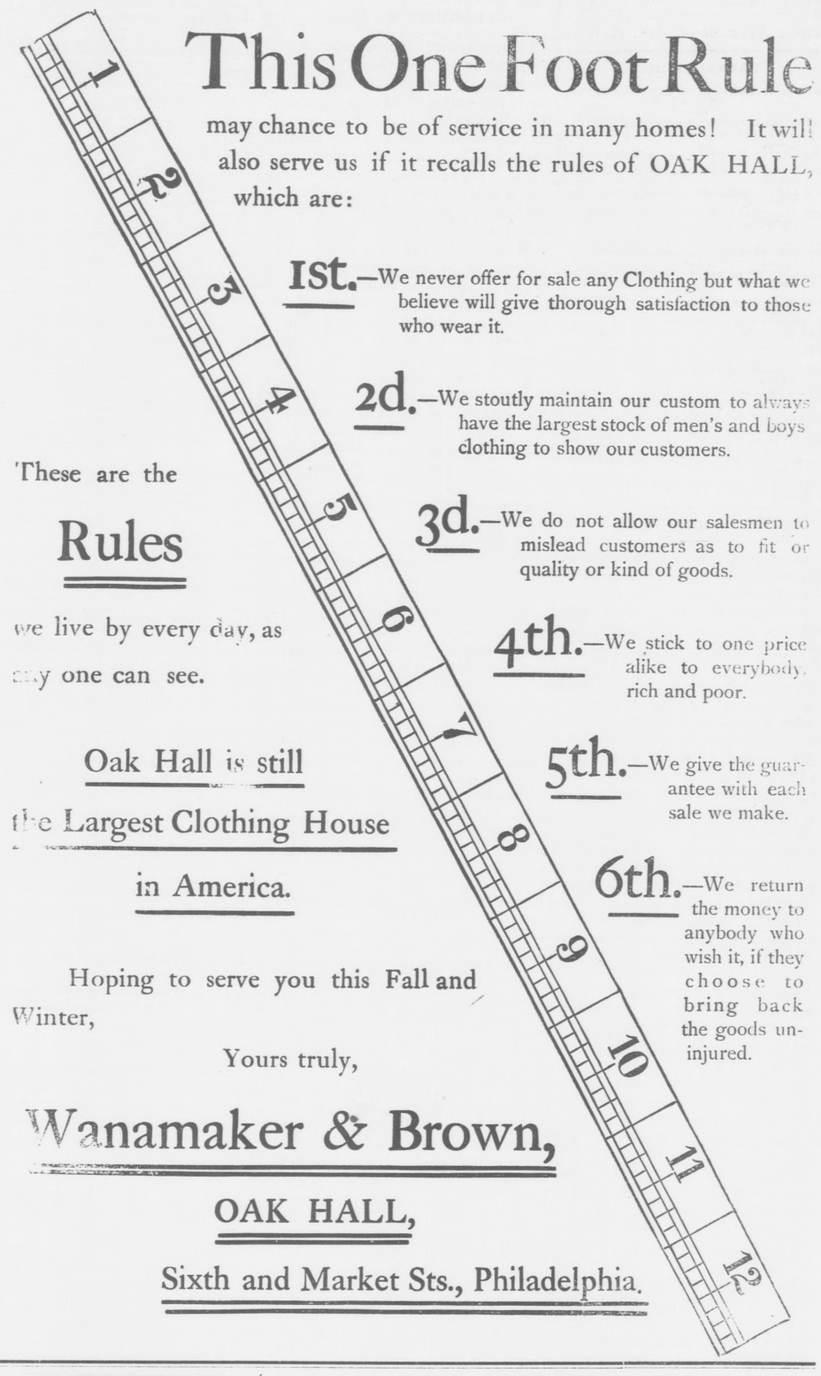

This One Foot Rule

may chance to be of service in many homes! It will also serve us if it recalls the rules of OAK HALL, which are:

These are the **Rules** we live by every day, as any one can see.

1st.—We never offer for sale any Clothing but what we believe will give thorough satisfaction to those who wear it.

2d.—We stoutly maintain our custom to always have the largest stock of men's and boys clothing to show our customers.

3d.—We do not allow our salesmen to mislead customers as to fit or quality or kind of goods.

4th.—We stick to one price alike to everybody, rich and poor.

5th.—We give the guarantee with each sale we make.

6th.—We return the money to anybody who wish it, if they choose to bring back the goods uninjured.

Oak Hall is still the Largest Clothing House in America.

Hoping to serve you this Fall and Winter,

Yours truly,

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OAK HALL,

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Particular Notice.

All the drawings will hereafter be under the exclusive supervision and control of GENERALS G. T. BEAUREGARD and JUBAL A. EARLY.

A SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY TO WIN A FORTUNE. SECOND GRAND DISTRIBUTION, CLASS B, AT NEW ORLEANS, TUESDAY, FEB. 14th, 1882—141st Monthly Drawing.

Louisiana State Lottery Company.

Incorporated in 1868 for 25 years by the Legislature for Educational and Charitable purposes—with a capital of $1,000,000—to which a reserve fund of $550,000 has since been added.

By an overwhelming popular vote its franchise was made a part of the present State Constitution adopted December 2d, A. D., 1879.

ITS GRAND SINGLE NUMBER DRAWINGS will take place monthly.

It never scales or postpones.

Look at the following Distribution:

CAPITAL PRIZE, $30,000.
100,000 TICKETS AT TWO DOLLARS EACH.
HALF-TICKETS, ONE DOLLAR.

LIST OF PRIZES.

1 Capital Prize,		$30,000
1 Capital Prize,		10,000
1 Capital Prize,		5,000
2 Prizes of $2,500		5,000
5 Prizes of 1,000		5,000
20 Prizes of 500,		10,000
100 Prizes of 100,		10,000
200 Prizes of 50,		10,000
500 Prizes of 20,		10,000
1,000 Prizes of 10,		10,000

APPROXIMATION PRIZES.

9 Approximation Prizes of $300	$2,700
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N. B.—Orders addressed to New Orleans will receive prompt attention.

The particular attention of the public is called to the fact that the entire number of the Tickets for each Monthly Drawing is sold, and consequently all the prizes in each drawing are sold and drawn and paid. jan 13-3t

PUBLIC SALE!

The subscriber, intending to quit farming, will sell at Public Sale, on the farm known as the A. M. Vail farm, on the road leading from Middletown to Odessa,

On TUESDAY, February 7th, 1882,

At 10 o'clock, A. M.,

His Stock and Farming Utensils,

CONSISTING OF

Five Good Work Horses!

Part of which are Good Drivers:

One 3 year old Colt, good stock; 1 one year old Colt, fine size, good stock; 1 two year old Colt, good stock.

TWENTY HEAD OF CATTLE,

Two of which are first-class Milkers, with calf by their side; 2 Young Heifers, good stock; 1 Young Cow, giving milk; 3 Young Steers, 1 Young Heifer, good stock; 1 Alderney Bull;

ONE GOOD BROOD SOW, heavy with pigs, Poland China Stock; 1 FAT HOG.

Farming Implements.

One Iron-axle Wagon, nearly new; 1 Mill Dearborn, in good order; 1 Rockaway Carriage, in good order; 1 Combined Champion Reaper, nearly new, in good order; 1 Steel-tooth Horse Rake, nearly new; 1 Grain Fan, 1 Pennock Corn Sheller, nearly new; 1 Grindstone, Plows, Harrows and Cultivators, 2 sets Wagon Harness, 4 sets Plow Gears, Double and Single-trees, Bridles and Collars, 1 Stack Ladder, a lot of Hoes, Shovels, Forks, Hedge Knives, Corn Knives, Mowing Scythes, 1 Boat and Net, Hot-bed Sash, Milk Fixtures, a lot of POTATOES AND SEED CORN, &c. Also, 1800 Bundles of good Corn Blades, and Clover Hay by the ton, which will be sold for cash; a lot of Long Fodder, sold to be fed on the farm. Also, half interest in 34 Acres of Wheat, well set.

TERMS OF SALE:—Sums of $20 and less, Cash; over that amount a credit of 7 months will be given by purchaser giving bankable note with approved endorser, interest added.

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S. M. ENOS, Auctioneer. jan 27-ts

Buy Ours for Rheumatism, Cramps, Kinks, Sore Throat, Weakness of the Joints, Contractions of the Muscles, Swellings, Windgalls, Sweeney, String Halt, Lameness, and Sprains.

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PARKER'S GINGER TONIC

Ginger, Buchu, Mandrake, Stillingia and many of the best medicines known are combined in PARKER'S GINGER TONIC, into a medicine of such varied and effective powers, as to make it the Greatest Blood Purifier and Kidney Corrector and the

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It cures Dyspepsia, Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Sleeplessness, and all diseases of the Stomach, Bowels, Lungs, Liver, Urinary Organs, and all Female Complaints.

If you are wasting away with Consumption or any disease, use the TONIC to-

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FRIDAY AFTERNOON, JAN. 27, 1882.

PARTNERSHIP.

[A little girl addresses the mother of her pet kittens.]

You need not be looking around at me so;
She's my kitten, as much as your kitten, you know,
And I'll take her wherever I wish her to go!

You know very well that, the day she was found,
If I hadn't cried, she'd have surely been drowned,
And you ought to be thankful she's here safe and sound!

She is only just crying because she's a goose;
I'm not squeezing her—look, now!—my hands are quite loose;
And she may as well hush, for it's not any use.

And *you* may as well get right down and go 'way!
You're not in the thing we are going to play,
And, remember, it isn't your half of the day.

You're forgetting the bargain we made—and so soon!
In the morning she's mine, and yours all afternoon,
And you couldn't teach her to eat with a spoon!

So don't let me hear you give one single mew.
Do you know what will happen, right off, if you do?
She'll be my kitten mornings and afternoons too!

—*Margaret Vandegrift, in St. Nicholas for February, 1882.*

CHIPS.

Never judge a man by his clothes. His tailor may have a suit against him. —*Yonkers Statesman.*

If a man knew as much about himself as he does about his neighbor, he would never speak to himself.—*Wilkins.*

Some people maintain that Arthur ought to carry out Garfield's policy. He has carried it out and set it on the junk heap.—*Rome Sentinel.*

The amount of sunshine we enjoy in this world depends upon the clouds of imagination we allow to gather above our heads.—*Whitehall Times.*

Young man, if you haven't anything to say, write it out in the form of a lecture, mount the rostrum, and your fortune is made.—*Boston Transcript.*

A little Laramie girl startled her parents Sunday by stating that she had just heard the daisy sermon on the "Parable of the Probable Son."—*Bill Nye.*

Fame, like cooked meats, must be well seasoned to be good. Applause is the butter, criticism the pepper, and gold the salt that makes fame palatable. —*Whitehall Times.*

Fame is an essence which can as readily exude from a conspicuously built ulster or a mongrel shirt collar, as from the grandest achievements of poesy and art.—*Wade Whipple.*

The chap who sent us a poem beginning, "When twilight dews are falling fast upon the rosy lea," has since married Rosa Lee, and now the weekly dues are falling fast upon him.—*Toledo American.*

We would like to bet a few dollars that when the north pole is discovered by the explorers they will find that it is covered all over with patent medicine advertisements and plug tobacco labels. —*Peck's Sun.*

"What, pay a dollar to hear old Oscar Wilde lecture!" exclaimed a Newark young lady the other day. "I'd a good deal rather buy a couple pounds of caramels and eat myself sick."—*Newark Sunday Call.*

An indisposed lady requested her family physician to examine her tongue, and then she asked him what he thought would be good for it. "Rest," replied the prudential but ungallant visitor.—*McGregor News.*

A correspondent sends us an exhaustive treatise on "How to bore an artesian well." We return the manuscript without perusal. Send us a receipt "How to bore an exchange fiend" and we'll devour it with avidity. —*Keokuk Gate City.*

The latest æsthetic conundrum is propounded by Joe Polk and dedicated to Oscar: Which is the first instance of an æsthetic animal mentioned in the bible? Why, Balaam's ass, of course, which was made to utter (too utter). See?—*New York Mirror.*

It is the night that a man is engaged to take his girl to the theatre that it is sure to rain; but it is the cloudy day when he leaves home with his umbrella that it is sure to shine hard enough to make ice cream blossom, and cause the mayor to issue a dog muzzling bill.—*Puck.*

KALAMAZOO, Mich., Feb. 2, 1880.

I know Hop Bitters will bear recommendation honestly. All who use them confer upon them the highest encomium, and give them credit for making cures—all the proprietors claim for them. I have kept them since they were first offered to the public. They took high rank from the first, and maintained it, and are more called for than all others combined. So long as they keep up their high reputation for purity and usefulness, I shall continue to recommend them—something I have never before done with any other patent medicine. J. J. BABCOCK, M. D.

A correspondent writes us to know which, in our judgement, is the safest seat in case of a railroad collision, as he wishes to settle a controversy with some friends. From a long and painful study in this matter, and calling to our aid a ripe experience, we would say without fear of successful denial that the safest seat in case of a railroad collision is the top rail of a reliable fence about four miles in a northeasterly direction from the collision.—*Bill Nye.*

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Conferred upon tens of thousands of sufferers could originate and maintain the reputation which AYER'S SARSAPARILLA enjoys. It is a compound of the best vegetable alteratives, with the Iodides of Potassium and Iron,—all powerful, blood-making, blood-cleansing and life-sustaining—and is the most effectual of all remedies for scrofulous, mercurial, or blood disorders. Uniformly successful and certain, it produces rapid and complete cures of Scrofula, Sores, Boils, Humors, Pimples, Eruptions, Skin Diseases and all disorders arising from impurity of the blood. By its invigorating effects it always relieves and often cures Liver Complaints, Female Weaknesses and Irregularities, and is a potent renewer of waning vitality. For purifying the blood it has no equal. It tones up the system, restores and preserves the health, and imparts vigor and energy. For forty years it has been in extensive use, and is to-day the most available medicine for the suffering sick.

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The Farm.

THE FARMING WE NEED.

A correspondent of the Germantown *Telegraph* says: The time has come when nothing but high farming will pay in this section of the country, since the cheap and fertile lands of the West are brought into such close and sharp competition by cheap freights and rapid transit. Old habits which are not now paying must be abandoned, and newer and better paying ones adopted. Every acre of tillable land must be made to yield its treasure with the least possible expense. When one hundred bushels of corn per acre can be produced, we must not be satisfied with fifty bushels. If a new implement can do the work of two men with an old one, the old one should be laid away and the new one used. If there is not manure enough to go all over the common ground, we must buy some well tried fertilizer that will increase the product. It is all folly to continue to farm poor land when it is possible to enrich it. The expense of farming poor land is greater than that attending richer land, and the labor more discouraging. There must be more general attention given to dairy products, the cultivation of small fruits and raising of poultry. The old system of pasturage will have to give way before the onward march of soiling and the non-fencing system. The road master, with his gang of full hands and half-grown boys, must yield to the new road scraper and smoother. To which we may add that the time has arrived, even in our neighboring counties, where more systematic method and higher farming are expedient in order to produce satisfactory results. On our best bottom land the old corn, and hay, and clover methods may yet satisfy the farmer, but even he could experience benefit by heeding the admonitions of the above extract.

IMPORTANCE OF THE FARMING INDUSTRY.

We can heartily endorse the following facts and comments: The census of 1880 shows that more than 7,600,000 persons in the United States are directly engaged in farm work, and that their number exceeds that of all the other workers in all other occupations in the country. The census of 1880 also shows that the total value of farms and farm implements in the United States is $13,464,200,433, or two-thirds of the whole producing wealth of the nation. The value of farm products and live stock was $3,000,000,000 against $2,800,000,000 of mining and manufacturing products of all kinds. Thus it appears that not only are a majority of our people directly engaged in agriculture, but that nearly three-fifths of the wealth of the nation is invested in this industry. So it also appears that the farmers of the country do more to augment the resources of government than do all the other industries. And they do more to augment the strength of government than all others. In fact, our society could not exist for a single year but for the assistance and support rendered by the farmers.

GOATS TO PROTECT SHEEP.—The farmers of Hunterdon and Somerset counties, New Jersey, use goats to protect their sheep from dogs. Two goats can drive away a dozen dogs, and two are about all each farmer puts in with his sheep. As soon as a dog enters the field at night, the goats attack him, and their butting propensities are too much for the canine, who soon finds himself rolling over and over. A few repetitions of this treatment causes the dog to quit the field, limping and yelling. Formerly, when a dog entered a sheep field at night, the sheep would run wildly around and cry piteously. Since the goats have been used to guard them, they form in line behind the goats and seem to enjoy the fun. The idea of utilizing goats in this way came from the West, where they are put in sheep pens to drive away wolves.—*New York Sun.*

FLAXSEED.—The crop of flaxseed grown in the United States in '81 is reported in statistics at 7,000,000 bushels against 8,750,000 bushels in 1880. The range of yield per acre was from four to twelve bushels, or two-thirds an average crop. Unfortunately, in connection with the growing of this crop, it is sad to say that four-fifths of the lint-bearing straw is burned, or left on the ground to waste and rot. At the same time, we send to India for jute butts, which are used with us in manufacturing, for identically the same purposes our flax-lint would supply.

Our Column.

[The W. C. T. U. meets at Presbyterian church on the first Wednesday of every month.]

EDITED BY W. C. T. U.

One of the saddest cases of youthful degredation and ruin that has recently been brought to public notice occurred in Philadelphia a few days ago in the death of Kate Martin, only fourteen years of age, from mania-a-potu. Such cases point their own moral and preach their own sermon, emphasizing strongly the necessity of throwing around the young of both sexes the best safeguard possible, and removing as far as practicable the temptations which beset the pathway of early life.

Rheumatic diseases. These ailments follow from torpid liver and costive bowels; the skin, bowels and kidneys failing in their proper work, an acrid poison is formed in the blood, which is the occasion of these acute diseases. Kidney-Wort produces healthy action of all secretive organs, and throws off the rheumatic poison. Equally efficient in liquid or dry form.—*Inter-Ocean.*

F. H. DRAKE'S SUFFERINGS.—F. H. Drake, Esq., Detroit, Mich., suffered beyond all description from a skin disease, which appeared on his hands, head and face, and nearly destroyed his eyes. The most careful doctoring failed to help him, and after all had failed, he used the Cuticura Resolvent (blood purifier) internally, Cuticura and Cuticura Soap (the great skin cures) externally, and was cured, and has remained perfectly well to this day.

DR. MOTT'S Liver Pills are the best Cathartic Regulators,

DUBNO'S CATARRH SNUFF cures Catarrh and all affections of the mucous membrane.

BAKER'S PAIN PANACEA cures pain in Man and Beast. For use externally and internally.

DR. ROGER'S Vegetable Worm Syrup instantly destroys worms and removes the Secretions which cause them.

DR. GREEN'S Oxygenated Bitters is the oldest and best remedy for Dyspepsia, Billiousness, Malaria, Indigestion, all disorders of the stomach, and all diseases indicating an impure condition of the Blood, Kidneys, Liver, Skin, etc.

HENRY'S CARBOLIC SALVE.—The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns and all kinds of Skin Eruptions, Freckles and Pimples. The salve is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction in every case or money refunded. Be sure you get Henry's Carbolic Salve, as all others are but imitations and counterfeits. Price 25 cents.

HOW TO SECURE HEALTH.—It seems strange that any one will suffer from the many derangements brought on by an impure condition of the blood, when Scovill's Sarsaparilla and Stillingia, or Blood and Liver Syrup will restore perfect health to the physical organization. It is indeed a strengthening syrup, pleasant to take, and has proven itself to be the Best Blood Purifier ever discovered, effectually curing Scrofula, Syphilitic disorders Weakness of the Kidneys, Erysipilas, Malaria; all Nervous disorders and Debility. Bilious complaints and all Diseases indicating an impure Condition of the Blood, Liver, Kidneys, Skin, etc. It corrects indigestion. A single bottle will prove to you its merits as a health renewer, for it acts like a charm, especially when the complaints of an exhausted nature, having a tendency to lessen the natural vigor of the brain and nervous system.

RESCUED FROM DEATH.—The following statement of William J. Coughlin, of Somerville; Mass., is so remarkable that we beg to ask for it the attention of our readers. He says: "In the fall of 1876 I was taken with a violent bleeding of the lungs followed by a severe cough. I soon began to lose my appetite and flesh. I was so weak at one time that I could not leave my bed. In the summer 1877 I was admitted to the City Hospital. While there the doctor said I had a hole in my left lung as big as a half dollar. I expended over a hundred dollars in doctors and medicines. I was so far gone at one time a report went around that I was dead. I gave up hope, but a friend told me of Dr. Wm. Hall's Balsam for the Lungs. I laughed at my friend, thinking that my case was incurable, but I got a bottle to satisfy him, when to my surprise and gratification, I commenced to feel better. My hope, once dead, began to revive, and to-day I feel in better spirits than I have the past three years.

"I write this hoping you will publish it, so that every one afflicted with Diseased Lungs will be induced to take Dr. Wm. Hall's Balsam for the Lungs, and be convinced that Consumption can be Cured. I have taken two bottles and can positively say that it has done more good than all the other medicines I have taken since my sickness. My cough has almost entirely disappeared and I shall soon be able to go to work." Sold by druggists.

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THE LIVER, THE BOWELS, AND THE KIDNEYS.
WHY ARE WE SICK?
Because we allow these great organs to become clogged or torpid, and poisonous humors are therefore forced into the blood that should be expelled naturally.
KIDNEY-WORT
WILL SURELY CURE
KIDNEY DISEASES,
LIVER COMPLAINTS,
PILES, CONSTIPATION, URINARY DISEASES, FEMALE WEAKNESSES, AND NERVOUS DISORDERS,
by causing free action of these organs and restoring their power to throw off disease.
Why suffer Bilious pains and aches!
Why tormented with Piles, Constipation!
Why frightened over disordered Kidneys!
Why endure nervous or sick headaches!
Use KIDNEY-WORT *and rejoice in health.*
It is put up in Dry Vegetable Form, in tin cans one package of which makes six quarts of medicine. Also in Liquid Form, very Concentrated, for those that cannot readily prepare it.
☞ It acts with equal efficiency in either form. GET IT OF YOUR DRUGGIST. PRICE, $1.00
WELLS, RICHARDSON & Co., Prop'r's,
(Will send the dry post-paid.) BURLINGTON, VT.

Bricks! Bricks!
Manufactured and for sale by
D. B. MALONEY,
Aug.19-6m. Townsend, Del.

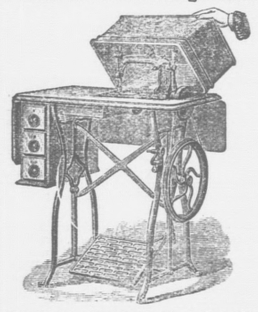
Back Ache
POSITIVELY CURED BY
Benson's Capcine Porous Plasters.
Reasons Why they are Preferred to All Other Porous Plasters or External Remedies:
First.
Because they possess all the merit of the strengthening porous plaster, and contain in addition thereto the newly discovered, powerful and active vegetable combination which acts with increased rubefacient, stimulating, sedative and counter irritant effects.
Second.
Because they are a genuine pharmaceutical preparation, and so recognized by the profession.
Third.
Because they are the only plasters that relieve pain at once.
Fourth.
Because they will positively cure diseases which other remedies will not even relieve.
Fifth.
Because over 5000 physicians and druggists have voluntarily testified that they are superior to all other plasters or medicines for external use,
Sixth.
Because the manufacturers have received the only medals ever given for porous plasters.
Benson's Capcine Porous Plaster!
SEABURY & JOHNSON,
Manufacturing Chemists, New York.
A SURE REMEDY AT LAST. Price 50cts.
MEAD'S Medicated CORN and BUNION PLASTER.

Middletown Advertisements.

Fall & Winter
GOODS!
DRY GOODS, NOTIONS,
Dress Goods,
—FANCY GOODS.—
TRIMMNIGS!
CLOTHS, CASSIMERES,
CLOTHING!
Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Carpets, Oil Cloths
Fresh Groceries,
—PROVISIONS,—
SALT.
☞ The above-named goods we have in quantity and quality to please all who may favor us with a call.
We have also in connection with our large stock of Carpets,
RICHARDSON'S
—CARPET EXHIBITOR,—
Which enables us to sell the very choicest styles of Tapestry, Body Brussels, and Moquet Carpets.
WE REPRESENT A STOCK OF CARPETS
Amounting to $10,000,
Ranging in price from 25 cents to $2.00 per yard.
We have also on hand some very handsome goods suitable for wooden weddings.

W. H. MOORE & CO.
MAIN ST., MIDDLETOWN, DEL.
Jan 1-tf.

NEW No. 8,
Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine



Rotary Hook, Straight Needle, Independent Take-up, Automatic Under Tension, and Improved Feed.
☞ The best Sewing Apparatus in the world. The lightest running, and noiseless.
Don't buy poorly made and cheap Sewing Machines. The best is the cheapest.
M. L. HARDCASTLE, Agent,
Middletown, Del.
Home Office, 807 Market St., Wilmington, Del.
J. H. PRIMROSE, Manager. may13-1y.

GEO. S. HOPKINS,
BAKER
AND
CONFECTIONER.
Bread, Cakes, Pies, Confectionery.
WEDDINGS
AND
PARTIES
SERVED AT SHORT NOTICE, AND SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.
dec 16-tf Middletown Delaware.

ROOFING!
WE DESIRE TO CALL THE ATTENTION of those who are about to build or repair, to our superior facilities for doing all kinds of
Metal Roofing
at short notice and in the very best manner.
THE BEST MATERIAL
used and the work carefully done.
We Guarantee Satisfaction.
☞ Estimates cheerfully furnished. ☜
Stoves, Heaters, Ranges
—AND—
SLATE MANTELS,
—of the newest designs always in store.—
TIN-WARE AND HOUSE-FURNISHING GOODS
—in Great variety.—
THE HENNIS BROILER,
The only common sense broiler ever invented. You will never use any other after trying it.
R. H. ELIASON,
Main Street, Middletown, Del.
feb 28-tf

J. B. FOARD WM. A. COMEGYS
FOARD & COMEGYS
Grain Commission Merchants,
AND WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN
COAL,
Lime, Fertilizers,
AND
Agricultural Implements,
MIDDLETOWN, DEL.
Sole Agents for
D. M. OSBORN'S
SELF-BINDING HARVESTER,
Six and Seven and Eight Feet Cut
Mowers and Reaping Machines,
BEST IN THE WORLD.
Also, have for sale
STAR and VICTOR Horse Rakes,
JUST RECEIVED a car load of the celebrated
OLIVER CHILLED PLOWS,
FOR SALE AT LOWEST PRICES,
Rambo's Celebrated Lime
For Sale as Low as the Lowest.
AGENTS FOR THE
Acme Pulverizing Harrow.
☞ Call and examine goods at our warerooms, opposite the National Hotel. mar27-tf

TO THE PUBLIC.
THE subscriber would call the attention of the public to the large and well-selected
Stock of Goods,
CONSISTING IN PART OF
Dry Goods, Notions,
GROCERIES,
BOOTS AND SHOES
HATS, HARDWARE,
Queensware, Wood and Willow Ware
Earthen and Stone Ware,
FISH, MEATS, &c.
AND EVERYTHING USUALLY KEPT IN A
FIRST-CLASS COUNTRY STORE
All of which have been selected with care and will be sold
At Prices in accordance with the times.
GIVE US A CALL BEFORE PURCHASING ELSEWHERE
NO CHARGE FOR SHOWING GOODS.
CHAS. TATMAN, Jr.
MIDDLETOWN, DEL.
Jan 1, 1880—tf

HARDWARE.
W. H. JOHNSON,
—Dealer in—
Hardware and Paints,
AT PRICES LOW,
AS MY CUSTOMERS OF THE PAST YEAR will testify.
Agricultural Implements,
OILS, GLASS, PUTTY AND VARNISH.
The Girard Ready Mixed Paint
WARRANTED AS GOOD AS THE BEST IN THE MARKET.
Special attention given to repairing GUNS, PISTOLS, SEWING MACHINES, &c.
THE NEW
Remington Sewing Machines
OPPOSITE CIT. NAT. BANK,
apr8-tf Middletown, Del.

FALL AND WINTER
CLOTHING!
WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED OUR VERY LARGE STOCK OF
Fall & Winter Clothing!
AND
GENT'S FURNISHING GOODS!
AS FOLLOWS:

Mens' Mixed Black Suits,	$ 5.00
" Stylish Plaid Suits,	6.00
" Stylish Sacque Suits,	7.50
" All-Wool Self-Lined Suits,	11.00
" All-Wool Diagonal Suits,	14.00
" Heavy Navy Blue Suits,	13.00
" Self-Lined Overcoats,	10.50
" "	12.50
" Heavy Chinchilla Overcoats,	$7 to $10
" Fur Beaver Overcoats,	8 to 10
" Self-Lined Ulsterettes,	8 to 12
" Long Fine Broken Plaid,	14
" Grey Overcoats,	$3 to $5
Youths' Suits,	4 to 9
" Overcoats,	$3 to $4.50
Boys' Suits,	3.50 to $7
" Overcoats,	$2.50 to $3.50
Children's Suits,	2.50 to 5.00
Mens' White Undershirts & Drawers,	25 to 90c
" Red Underwear,	$2.50 to $3.50
Gloves,	30c to $1
Buckskin Gloves,	$1.50 to $1.90

We have a Full Line of
SHIRTS AT ALL PRICES!
A CALL WILL SATISFY YOU THAT WE SELL AT CITY PRICES.
PHILIP LESS,
East Main Street,
Oct 21-tf Middletown, Del.

Thomas Massey, Jr.,
CLOCK
And Watch Maker,
MAIN STREET,
Next Door to National Hotel,
Middletown, Delaware
CLOCKS, Watches, Jewelry, &c, neatly and promptly repaired.
Always on hand and for sale, Clocks, Watches, Plated Ware, Forks, Spoons, Silver Napkin Rings, Silver Thimbles, Salt, Sugar and Tea Spoons, Butter Knives, Gold Breast-Pins, Ear-Rings, Sleeve Buttons, Watch Chains, Watch Keys, Key Rings, Steel Watch Chains, &c.
AGENT FOR
DEVINNY'S SPECTACLES.
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FALL 1881.
A FULL LINE OF NEW
MILLINERY
—AND—
FANCY GOODS
FOR THE FALL AND WINTER SEASON now open. You are cordially invited to call and examine our stock, which will consist of all the novelties of the season in the Millinery line.
ADA JUMP & CO.,
CORNER MAIN & CASS ST'S.,
Middletown Del.

JOSEPH HANSON,
General Commis'n Merchant,
And agent for
WALTON, WHANN & CO'S
—CELEBRATED PHOSPHATES,—
MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE.
COAL! COAL! COAL!
EBERVALE LEHIGH,
LYKENS' VALLEY RED ASH,
Georges' Creek Cumberland,
—AND—
STERLING NO. 1,
Bituminous Coal!
I call special attention to the fact that the
EBERVALE LEHIGH
CANNOT BE EXCELLED!
I will furnish other brands from the best mines, such as Shawnee, Star, Raven Run, Council-Ridge, Beaver Brook, Sandy Run, No. 4 Lehigh, Enterprise, &c.
☞ I am prepared to furnish the above coals at the most reasonable rates,
Office, RAILROAD AVENUE, near the National Hotel.
EUGENE DAVIS, *Salesman.* apr15-tf.

STOVES!!
AND
TIN WARE.
You will find at the Store of
L. W. Roberts & Co.,
Broad Street, near Main,
MIDDLETOWN, DELA.,
A FULL STOCK OF
STOVES
Embracing all the Latest Designs in
Parlor, Office and Cook Stoves.
MANY NOVELTIES JUST OUT.
HEATERS AND RANGES,
ALL THE POPULAR MAKES.
TIN-WARE
OF ALL KINDS,
At Wholesale and Retail.
ROOFING AND SPOUTING!
Promptly done at Fair Prices and Work Guaranteed.
STOVE REPAIRS OF EVERY DESCRIPTION ALWAYS ON HAND OR PROCURED AT SHORT NOTICE.
ALL KINDS OF TIN AND SHEET IRON WORK DONE TO ORDER. ALSO PLUMBING AND GAS FITTING
☞ House Furnishing Goods in Stock.
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☞ Lumber and Hardware!
G. E. HUKILL,
At the old stand, opposite the Railroad Depot,
MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE,
Dealer in all kinds of
Building Lumber,
AND BUILDING, HOUSEHOLD AND AGRICULTURAL HARDWARE.
—ALSO—
☞ General Building Material, ☜
Such as Bricks, Lime, Doors, Sash, Shutters, Blinds and Mouldings, a full assortment of which is always on hand. The two best makes of CUCUMBER WOOD PUMPS in the market, viz.: "Blatchley's" celebrated Pump, and the equally celebrated "Goshen" Pump,
LUCAS' READY MIXED PAINTS, IMPERIAL TINTED LEAD,
(warranted pure lead) all colors, mixed ready for use, and RUBBER MIXED PAINT, all colors. These are the best mixed Paints in the market.
Keep constantly on hand a full stock of
Lead, Oils, Colors, Varnishes, Glass and Putty.
ROOFING SLATES kept in stock, and slate roofs put on at short notice by practical slaters. Workmanship guaranteed.
☞ *Agent for Iowa Barbed Fence Wire.*
jan14-tf.

New FALL Stock!
Our friends and patrons will find us ready with a full line of NEW goods suitable for the season.
IN DRESS GOODS,
We have everything that is new, fresh and attractive, and our facilities enable us to buy at the very Lowest Figures.
Our Notion Department,
Contains all the latest novelties in the way of Trimmings, Laces and Fancy Goods generally.
Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods
IN GREAT VARIETY.
Cloths, Cassimeres, Suitings,
A stock large and varied enough to please all tastes.
☞ WE MAKE A SPECIALTY in this line of goods, and invite an inspection of the same.
IN CARPETS,
We have a full line at CITY PRICES.
Our Grocery Department
Will always be found to contain a choice stock of fresh goods, and it is a well established fact that we sell groceries as low as any house on the Peninsula.
We are the sole agent in Middletown for the Celebrated
Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine
A stock of which we now have on hand.
M. L. HARDCASTLE,
No. 1 TOWN HALL,
MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE.
aug19-tf.

$5 to $20 per day at home. Samples worth, $5 free. Address STINSON & Co., Portland, Maine.

$72 A WEEK. $12 a day at home easily made. Costly outfit free. Address TRUE & Co., Augusta, Maine.

The Traveler.

PHILADELPHIA, WILMINGTON AND BALTIMORE RAILROAD.

New Castle Branches and Del. R. R.
WINTER ARRANGEMENT.
Del. Division.—Time Table.

ON and after Monday, Janu'y 23d, 1882, (Sundays excepted,) trains will leave as follows:

SOUTH. PASSENGER. A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	STATIONS.	NORTH. PASSENGER. A.M.	A.M.	P.M.
8.15	11.50	5.15	—Philadelphia—	9.50	1.10	7.10
7.05	9.15	4.05	—Baltimore,—	11.30	3.30	9.15
9.35	1.05	6.25	—Wilmington,—	8.50	12.05	6.05
9.43		6.33	Delaware Junct.	8.43	11.56	5.59
9.53	1.22	6.44	—New Castle,—	8.33	11.46	5.49
9.55	1.24	6.46	—State Road,—	8.25	11.39	5.40
10.03	1.32	6.54	——Bear,——	8.22	11.36	5.37
10.05	1.34	6.56	——Rodney,——	8.17	11.31	5.30
10.07	1.36	6.58	——Porter's——	8.15	11.29	5.28
10.12	1.42	7.03	—Kirkwood,—	8.12	11.26	5.25
10.22	1.52	7.12	—Mt. Pleasant,—	8.03	11.16	5.15
10.39	2.10	7.30	—Middletown,—	7.55	11.07	5.06
10.49	2.18	7.39	—Townsend,—	7.42	10.49	4.49
10.55	2.22	7.44	—Blackbird,—	7.37	10.44	4.43
11.02	2.29	7.51	—Green Spring,—	7.29	10.36	4.35
11.08	2.34	7.57	—— Clayton,——	7.24	10.32	4.30
11.25	2.45	8.10	Smyrna, (arrive)	7.00	10.20	4.15
11.13	2.39	8.02	——Brenford——	7.16	10.26	4.23
11.20	2.46	8.09	——Moorton,——	7.11	10.19	4.16
11.33	2.58	8.21	——Dover,——	7.01	10.10	4.06
11.40	3.04	8.27	—Wyoming,—	6.54	10.03	3.59
11.48	3.10	8.34	—Woodside,—	6.47	9.56	3.52
11.53	3.14	8.39	—Canterbury,—	6.42	9.52	3.47
11.58	3.19	8.44	—Felton,—	6.37	9.48	3.42
12.10	3.31	8.55	—Harrington,—	6.25	9.37	3.31
12.17	3.38	——	—Farmington,—	——	9.26	3.19
12.26	3.46	——	—Greenwood,—	——	9.18	3.11
12.35	3.55	——	—Bridgeville,—	——	9.09	3.01
12.52	4.10	——	——Seaford,——	——	8.55	2.47
1.07	4.23	——	——Laurel,——	——	8.42	2.33
1.20	4.35	——	——Delmar,——	——	8.30	2.20

NEW CASTLE ACCOMMODATION TRAINS.—Leave Wilmington at 6 a.m. and 3 p.m. Leave New Castle at 9.20 a.m. and 4.45 p.m.

SMYRNA BRANCH TRAINS.—Additional to those above, leave Smyrna for Clayton at 10.55 a. m. 2.20 and 7.45 p. m. Leave Clayton for Smyrna 7.25, 10.35 a. m. and 4.30 p. m. to make connection with trains (North and South) from Clayton.

CONNECTIONS.—At Townsend, with Queen Anne's and Kent Rail Road. At Clayton, with Delaware and Chesapeake Rail Road and Kent County Rail Road. At Harrington, with Junction and Breakwater Rail Road. At Seaford, with Dorchester and Delaware Rail Road. At Delmar with Eastern Shore Rail Road, Wicomico and Pocomoke Rail Road and Worcester and Somerset Rail Road.

J. R. WOOD,
FRANK THOMPSON, Gen. Pass. Agent.
General Manager. may27-tf.

Middletown Advertisements.

DO NOT FORGET TO
Go To Benson's
WHEN IN TOWN.
WE HAVE
UNDERWEAR at very low prices,
For Men, Women and Children, from the Very Cheapest to Very Fine Goods, in both white and scarlet.
SOME VERY ELEGANT
BLUE FLANNEL SHIRTS.
Hosiery,
We take great pleasure in showing. Our stock is full and cannot fail to please you.
VELVETS & VELVETEENS,
SILKS, SATINS,
both striped Brocades and plain.
FRINGES, PASSAMENTRIES,
LARGE & SMALL ORNAMENTS,
Girdles, Tassels, Balls and Beads
10 per cent. lower than to be found elsewhere.
Beautiful Line of Lace Curtains,
PILLOW SHAMS AND SPLASHERS.
TIDIES in both Fancy Colors & White.
Linen Collars and Cuffs, Celluloid Collars and Cuffs. Suspenders.
Gloves of all kinds!
OUR OWN SHIRT!
The best Shirt made for $1.
Dry Goods lower than to be found elsewhere. Come and see us and prove facts. One Price! Everything Cash!
dec9-tf BENJ. BENSON.

ISAAC JONES, Jr.,
GRAIN DEALER.
Middletown, Delaware.
AGENT FOR
Wm. Lea & Sons,
BRANDYWINE MILLS.
Highest Market Price
PAID FOR GRAIN
On Chesapeake and Delaware Waters
OR ON DELAWARE R. R.
And its Connections.
AND WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN
COAL LIME. FLOUR.
FEED, SEEDS,
FERTILIZERS,
Agricultural Implements, &c.
Best Lehigh and Schuylkill anthracite and Cumberland bituminous Coals on hand at all times.
Jan 1, 1876—tf.

W. W. Cannon & Co.,
MAIN ST., MIDDLETOWN, DEL.,
Dealers in
Flour, Meal, Feed, Seeds, &c., &c.
The celebrated brand of Family Flour,
"THE IMPERIAL CROWN,"
Manufactured by W. G. Pennypacker & Co., Always on hand.
GRAIN BOUGHT
For W. G. PENNYPACKER & CO., Phila., at Highest Market Prices.
Dec.23-tf.

H. R. WILSON,
DEALER IN
CIGARS AND TOBACCO!
Main St., MIDDLETOWN, DEL.
A FULL STOCK OF CIGARS, all brands; CHEWING AND SMOKING TOBACCO, PIPES, ETC., ALWAYS ON HAND.
All Magazines and Periodicals, "Seaside" and other Libraries on hand or furnished to order.
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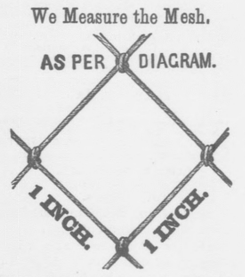
Miscellaneous.

NETTING
—FOR—
SEINES AND POUNDS.
We Measure the Mesh.
AS PER DIAGRAM.



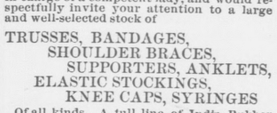
One Inch Square Mesh.

Parties ordering Netting or Seines will give the length and depth required when on lines. We allow one-third for rigging, that is, if the Seine is to be 100 yards long and 10 feet deep when on lines, as per diagram No. 1.

100 YARDS.

No. 1. 10 Feet Wide.

We would make the webbing 150 yards long, 15 feet deep when stretched the same as a rope that is, the Mesh stretched as per diagram No. 2.



No. 2.

In the absence of any instruction, we will make as above. In ordering, give full description of what you want; leave nothing to be guessed at.

Parties unknown to us, ordering goods, will be required to remit us one-third the value before we ship them, the balance to be paid on delivery.

☞ Send for Price List.

WM. E. HOOPER & SONS,
BALTIMORE.

MIDDLETOWN HOTEL,
S. PEACOCK, Proprietor,
MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

THIS WELL-KNOWN AND POPULAR Hotel is now Remodeled, Repaired, Cleansed and Refurnished throughout.

The Table will be supplied with all the delicacies of the season, and the Bar will be constantly stocked with the choicest brands of Liquors on the market.

The Servants will be prompt, gentlemanly and obliging to guests, and nothing will be spared to make those who favor me with their patronage comfortable and cheerful. In short, this Hotel shall be surpassed by none in the State for its comforts and the moderation of its charges. I have also the

FINEST BILLIARD AND POOL ROOM

on the Peninsular, the Tables having been made to order, by the best manufacturers.

A GOOD LIVERY is attached to the Hotel. My Hack will meet every train and convey passengers to tha Hotel, free of charge.

☞ Call for Peacock's Hotel Hack.

Respectfully,
S. PEACOCK.
Middletown, Del., June 14th, 1879.-tf

The National Hotel
(NEAR THE DEPOT),
Middletown, Delaware,
ALEX MAXWELL, PROP'R